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**Minutes of
S.C. Board of Health and Environmental Control
Meeting**

March 9, 2006

The S.C. Board of Health and Environmental Control met on Thursday, March 9, 2006, at 10:00 a.m. in the S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control Board Room, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, S.C. via audio conference. (Attachment 0-1)

The following members were in attendance:

Elizabeth M. Hagood, Chairman
Member-at-large

Edwin H. Cooper, III, Vice-Chairman
Charleston, 1st District

Henry C. Scott
Allendale, 2nd District

Glenn A. McCall
Rock Hill, 5th District

Coleman F. Buckhouse, MD
Florence, 6th District

Also in attendance were Commissioner Earl Hunter and guests. (Attachment 0-2)

Chairman Hagood stated notice of this meeting has been provided to all persons, organizations and news media, which have requested notification, as required by section 30-4-80(e) of the South Carolina Code of Laws.

Item 1: Consideration of February 9, 2006, meeting minutes - For Approval (Attachment 1-1)

Dr. Buckhouse moved, seconded by Mr. Cooper, to approve the minutes of the February 9, 2006, meeting. Approved

Item 2: Monthly Award for Excellence – February 2006 (Attachment 2-1)

Commissioner Hunter recognized the following:

Environmental Quality Control – Hazardous Waste Regulation Development Team/Suzanne Rhodes, Carolyn McLaughlin;
Health Regulation – Abigail James;
Health Services – Susan Smith, Ford Claffy;
Region 1 Public Health Office – Linda Little;
Region 2 Public Health Office – Employee Team – Spartanburg Travel Team Program/Angela Seay, Wanda Caldwell;
Region 3 Public Health Office – Michelle Glover;
Region 4 Public Health Office – Sherri Gibson;
Region 5 Public Health Office – Ken Montgomery;
Region 7 Public Health Office – Karla Beckwith, Shaun Lakoh, Sheryl Nichols;
Region 8 Public Health District – Kathryn Arden.

Item 3: Request for a third six-month extension of Certificate of Need SC-04-49 issued to Beaufort Imaging, LLC, for the development of a freestanding imaging center providing Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) service to replace the existing MRI currently operated by Beaufort Open MRI, Computerized Tomography (CT) and x-ray services (Attachment 3-1)

Mr. Joel Grice, Bureau Health Facilities Regulation, presented this item to the Board. Ms. Anne Mecherle, Chief Operating Officer, is requesting additional time for implementation of this Certificate of Need, which expires April 18, 2006. Mr. Don Meyer, attorney for Beaufort Imaging, answered questions of the Board.

Mr. Scott moved, seconded by Mr. McCall, to find that Beaufort Imaging, LLC, has demonstrated substantial progress and approve an additional six-month extension to implement Certificate of Need SC-04-49. Approved.

Item 4: Request for a third six-month extension of Certificate of Need SC-04-52 issued to Palmetto Lowcountry Behavioral Health for the renovation and addition of ten (10) psychiatric beds for a total of seventy (70) psychiatric beds, ten (10) substance abuse beds, and thirty-two (32) residential treatment facility beds (Attachment 4-1)

Mr. Grice presented this item to the Board. Mr. Daniel J. Body, Chief Executive Officer, is requesting additional time for implementation of this Certificate of Need, which expires April 20, 2006. The approved total project cost is estimated at \$331,500. Mr. Body answered questions of the Board.

Mr. Cooper moved, seconded by Mr. Scott, to find that Palmetto Lowcountry Behavioral Health has demonstrated substantial progress and approve an additional six-month extension to implement Certificate of Need SC-04-52. Approved.

Item 5: Administrative Orders, Consent Orders and Sanction Letters issued by Health Regulation (January 1, 2006, through January 31, 2006) (Attachment 5-1)

Mr. Dennis Gibbs, Health Regulations, stated four (4) orders had been issued.

After discussion, *the Board accepted this item as information.*

Item 6: Administrative and Consent Orders issued by Environmental Quality Control (January 1, 2006 through January 31, 2006) (Attachment 6-1)

Ms. Claire Prince, Director, Enforcement and Compliance Assistance, Environmental Quality Control, stated twenty-eight (28) orders had been issued with penalties of \$352,653.78.

After discussion, the Board accepted this item as information.

Item 7: Agency Affairs

Commissioner Hunter reported the following:

1. Agency budget request;
2. Upcoming Pandemic Flu Summit on March 2, 2006, with the Governor's Office, DHHS, CDC & Dept. of Home Land Security;
3. Bridges to Marsh Islands regulations;
4. Isolated Wetlands issue;
5. PM2.5 Matter.

The Board accepted this item as information.

Item 8: Legal Report

Mr. Carl Roberts updated the Board on legal matters.

Mr. Cooper moved, seconded by Mr. Scott, to go into Executive Session for receipt of legal advice. Approved

While in Executive Session no actions were taken.

Dr. Buckhouse moved, seconded by Mr. McCall, to adjourn. Approved.

All referenced attachments are made a permanent part of these minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

Steven G. Kisner
Secretary of the Board

Minutes approved this 11th day of May 2006.

ATTEST:

Elizabeth M. Hagood
Chairman

Attachments

- 0-1 Agenda
- 0-2 Sign-in Sheet
- 1-1 February 9, 2006, Board Meeting minutes
- 2-1 Monthly Award for Excellence for February 2006
- 3-1 Request for a third six-month extension of Certificate of Need SC-04-49
- 4-1 Request for a third six-month extension of Certificate of Need SC-04-52
- 5-1 Administrative Orders, Consent Orders and Sanctions Letters Report – Health Regulation
- 6-1 Administrative and Consent Orders Report - EQC